SHARMA): (a) No offer has been received for development of oil fields in Assam.

(b) Since bidding by companies is related to their evlauation of commercial aspects, it is not possible to state specific reasons for absence of of offers.

(c) 117 bids in all have been received for developument of seven medium and 24 small-sized oil and gas fields.

Construtions of Roads and Buildings in Periyar Tiger Reserve"

*231. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the construction of roads and buildings being carried out in Periyar Tiger Reserve in violation of the norms set by his Ministry;

(b) if so, whether the construction has been threatening the lush green environs of the Reserve; and

(c) if so, what action is being taken to stop construction and to protect the Reserve from any threat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) The consruction of roads and buildings in Periyar have been undertaken for intensification of management and are not in violation of the norms set by this Ministry

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Location of Retail Outlets for sale of Petrol and Petroleum Products

*232. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many demand surveys were conducted for location of retail outlets for sale of petrol and petroleum products; and

(b) how many new sale points are projected by the demand surveys the State wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) and (b) Locations for opening of retail outlets are identified by the oil companies on the basis of feasibility studies. This is an ongoing and continuous exercise and is carried out by the oil companies. Based on these studies, 1424 new retail outlet proposals have been included in the approved Marketing Plan for 1988-93. Statewise details are given in the attached Statement.

Statement

State-wise details of retail outlet marketing plan 1988-89

State	No.
1. Andhra Pradesh	57
2. Arunachal Pradesh	3
3. Assam	38
4. Bihar	175